IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

JANE DOE)
Plaintiff,)) Case No. 23-cv-14303
v.))
ANTHONY'S PIZZA HOLDING	
COMPANY, LLC d/b/a ANTHONY'S COAL FIRED PIZZA) Judge John F. Kness
COAL FIRED FIZZA) Magistrate Judge M. David Weisman
and)
ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ,)
Defendants.)))

PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO PROCEED UNDER A PSEUDONYM

NOW COMES Plaintiff Jane Doe, by and through her attorneys, Legal Aid Chicago, and moves for leave to proceed under the pseudonym Jane Doe.

- 1. The Complaint in this matter (Doc. #1) contains a lengthy factual background describing in detail Ms. Doe's experience of sexual harassment and sexual assault, which culminated in two rapes.
- 2. The Seventh Circuit has long recognized that "fictitious names are allowed when necessary to protect the privacy of children, rape victims, and other particularly vulnerable parties or witnesses." *Doe v. Blue Cross & Blue Shield United*, 112 F.3d 869, 872 (7th Cir. 1997); *see also Doe v. Vill. Of Deerfield*, 819 F.3d 372, 377 (7th Cir. 2016).

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3. As set out in detail in Ms. Doe's Memorandum of Law, filed herewith,

the facts and circumstances of this case amply warrant granting her leave to proceed

under a pseudonym.

Doing so is necessary to protect her privacy as a rape victim. The

alternative would serve to embarrass, punish and stigmatize her, solely based upon

her status as a rape victim.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order

permitting her to proceed with this action anonymously, under the pseudonym Jane

Doe.

Dated: December 28, 2023

Respectfully submitted, Plaintiff Jane Doe

/s/ Joseph Garcia

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on December 28, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing **PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO PROCEED UNDER A PSEYDONYM** herein with the Clerk of the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, Eastern Division, using the CM/ECF system, which sent notification of such filing to the registered CM/ECF participants.

/s/ Joseph Garcia